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### FCC RELEASES UPDATED AGENDA FOR SEPTEMBER 26 DIGITAL TELEVISION CONSUMER EDUCATION WORKSHOP

*Washington, DC* -- The Commission has released an updated agenda for its Digital Television Consumer Education Workshop to be held Wednesday, September 26, 2007, at FCC Headquarters, 445 12<sup>th</sup> St., SW, Washington, DC, in the Commission Meeting Room. It will begin at 8:00 AM and end at 4:15 PM. The updated agenda is attached.

A live webcast of the hearing will be available at the FCC's website at http://www.fcc.gov/realaudio/#sep26 on a first-come, first-served basis.

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# UPDATED AGENDA FOR FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION DIGITAL TELEVISION CONSUMER EDUCATION WORKSHOP

### FCC Headquarters 445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20554 Commission Meeting Room

### September 26, 2007

8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. Pre-Program Demonstrations

(Demonstrations will include converter box use, digital televisions and comparisons to analog use)

9:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. Welcome

FCC Chairman Kevin J. Martin

FCC Commissioner Michael J. Copps FCC Commissioner Jonathan S. Adelstein

FCC Commissioner Robert M. McDowell (via pre-recorded

message)

9:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. Government Update on DTV Transition

Federal Communications Commission – Cathy Seidel, Chief, Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau

National Telecommunications and Information Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce – Tony Wilhelm, Director of Consumer Education

U.S. Administration on Aging/U.S. Department of Health and Human Services – Edwin L. Walker, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Policy and Programs

10:00a.m. – 11:00a.m. What is the Industry's Role in Facilitating the DTV Transition?

<u>Moderator</u>: Cathy Seidel, Chief, FCC Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau

<u>Panelists</u>:

Consumer Electronics Retailers Coalition – Marc Pearl, Executive Director

Consumer Electronics Association – Julie Kearney, Senior Director and Regulatory Counsel

National Cable Television Association – Rob Stoddard, Sr. VP, Communications and Public Affairs

National Association of Broadcasters – Jonathan Collegio, VP, Digital Television Transition

## 11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Consumer Interest and Advocacy Group Roundtable – Part I (General Consumer Groups)

<u>Moderator</u>: Thomas Wyatt, Deputy Bureau Chief, FCC Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau

#### Panelists:

Alliance for Public Technology – Sylvia Rosenthal, Executive Director

American Library Association -- Carrie Lowe, Internet Policy Specialist

Association of Public Television Stations – John Lawson, President and CEO

Consumer Action – Linda Sherry, Director of National Priorities

Consumer Federation of America – Dr. Mark Cooper, Director of Research

National Association of Consumer Agency Administrators – Elizabeth Owen, Executive Director

National Consumers League – Susan Grant, VP Public Policy

Consumer's Union, Gene Kimmelman – Vice President Federal and International Affairs

### 12:30 p.m. - 12:40 p.m. Greetings

FCC Commissioner Deborah Taylor Tate

Meredith Attwell Baker, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Communications and Information, and Deputy National Telecommunications and Information Administration Administrator

### 12:40 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. Lunch Break

Attendees are encouraged to visit the technical demonstrations and have informal discussions with other participants.

1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. Consumer Interest and Advocacy Group Roundtable – Part II (Specific Populations)

<u>Moderator</u>: Nicole McGinnis, Deputy Bureau Chief, FCC Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau

### Panelists:

American Association of People with Disabilities – Jenifer Simpson, Senior Director, Telecommunications and Technology Policy

AARP – Jo Reed, Coordinator for Livable Communities and Consumer Issues

La Raza – Lisa Navarrete, Vice President, Public Information

NAACP – Hilary Shelton, Director NAACP Washington Bureau

National Puerto Rican Coalition – Manual Mirabal, President and CEO

Satellite Broadcasting and Communications Association – Noah Cuttler, Director of Regulatory Affairs

U.S. Hispanic Chamber of Commerce Foundation – Frank Lopez, President & CEO

Native Public Media – Peggy Berryhill, Director of Services and Planning

Southeast Asia Resource Action Center – Doua Thor, Executive Director

3:00 p.m. – 3:15 p.m. Wrap Up

3:15 p.m. – 4:15 p.m. Technical Demonstrations Remain Open

<sup>\*</sup>There will be time for question and answer following each panel discussion.